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BIRTH.

On the 2nd March, at "Greenmount," Hong-
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MARRIAGE.

On the 25th February, at the Cathedral, Shang-
hai, the Rev. T. BIGGIN, M.A., to Miss GEORGINA
SMITH, both of the London Mission, Peking.

HONGKONG, 4th March, 1903.

A TELEGRAM from our special correspondent in London which appears in another column tells us that the New York Herald considers Russia's undoubted military activity to be due to the aspect of affairs in the Far East rather than to the trouble in the Balkans. What aspect of affairs in this part of the world is at the present moment calling for any exceptional military activity on the part of Russia is not very apparent, but it is obvious to all that if Russia's intentions in the Far East are pacific she pins her faith firmly to the dictum that preparation for war is the best security for peace. Even during the two short months of the present year sufficient has happened to arouse more than ordinary interest in Russia's movements in the Far East. Her fleet in the Pacific is being increased—though the progress of these six or seven vessels Eastward is remarkably slow; transports continue to bring out troops from Odessa—1,300 were landed at Vladivostock early last month, and these were described as part of the force to arrive for important military mobilisation in March. We have had the news too that the Grand Duke NICHOLAS, Inspector-General of the Russian Cavalry, is leaving St. Petersburg shortly on a tour through Manchuria. No one can seriously credit Russia with the intention of evacuating Manchuria while every indication points to the contrary. Not content with the strength of her military position along the Manchurian frontier, the Russian authorities, it has been stated, are engaged on a plan for equipping

the whole navigable length of the Amur with a flotilla of specially-constructed gunboats, and in view of the strategical value of this waterway, at the entrance to which stands Nikolaievsk, the vicinity of this port will be mined and Nikolaievsk fortified and equipped to enable it to effectively command the entrance to the frontier waterway. At Vladivostock just now we note that there does not seem to be any knowledge of what is intended by the "important military mobilisation" which is to take place this month, and the absence of information leads to the general conclusion that Russia is bent as seriously as ever upon asserting a paramount interest not only in the Amur region but throughout Manchuria. In Vladivostock itself measures are stated to be on foot to confine the Chinese to the outskirts of the town and to compel the registration of all Chinese, Japanese and Koreans. And in this connection it may be worth while recalling the fact of negotiations for the sale of four of the largest and fastest Volunteer Fleet cruisers being abruptly broken off at the end of last year and these ships—which had lain in reserve for the greater part of the year—were again ordered to be kept in reserve with two others in the Black Sea. Commenting on this the Times correspondent at Odessa aptly wrote:—

"Whatever may be the motives actuating the Russian Government and the Volunteer Fleet authorities for detaining indefinitely in an idleness which spells heavy financial loss the entire flotilla of 20-knot Volunteer Fleet cruisers, capable of mounting between them in time of war just under 100 quick-firing guns of various calibre, and carrying between them, besides transport, from 10,000 to 20,000 men, according to distance, and in time of peace capable of accommodating about 7,000 passengers and some 35,000 tons of general cargo, the step in itself is both an unusual and a remarkable one." What it means Time alone will reveal. Russia has most certainly been preparing for the eventuality of trouble on the Balkans, but the clouds in that part of the world having apparently lifted, continued military activity on the part of Russia would naturally be assumed to have another object.

By an inadvertence the date of the sale of wares belonging to Mr. Godfrey Master was incorrectly given in the paragraph which appeared in our yesterday's issue. It should have been Wednesday, March 11th.

It was reported a week ago at Shanghai that the Taotai had received information that the Kowshing claim had been settled for £33,000, but the agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., had received no confirmation of this.

The Times of India of February 7th says:—There were 24,500 deaths from plague in India last week. This shows an increase of about a thousand on the mortality of the previous week, and is just double that which occurred in the same period in 1902.

A notification in a Government Gazette Extraordinary published yesterday states that information has been received from the military authorities that Maxim gun practice will be carried out at Kowloon on the 5th, 6th and 7th March, commencing at about 9 a.m.

An European passenger fell overboard from one of the Star Ferry launches last night. The launch was lying alongside the jetty at Hongkong, and the passenger in question was crossing the gangway when he slipped and fell between the boat and the pier. The result was a wetting for him and the temporary disorganisation of the traffic.

The Universal Gazette states that Boxerism is still alive in Chihli province, and that news had been received to the effect that at Chihchou, east of Peking, Boxers have openly attacked a number of Christians, in consequence of which the Governor of Peking had removed the sub-prefect of Chihchou. At Jench'ien, a district of Hoochien prefecture, also, Boxer partisans are reported to have created several disturbances against Christians, while news has also been received of similar occurrences in Yuchien, Tientsin prefecture.

A farewell dinner attended by the leading residents of Kobe was given a week ago in honour of Mr. F. J. Bardens, head of the firm of Samuel Samuel & Co. at that port. The dinner was given under the auspices of the Hioo and Osaka Chamber of Commerce and the Committee formed for the purpose of advising the local Japanese authorities in reference to the administration of the old Settlement, of both of which Mr. Bardens has been a prominent member. He is travelling home on holiday by the *Hakata Maru*.A movement is on foot among the native merchants of Manila to induce the Civil Commission to enact a law establishing a bank which would loan money on real property as security at a very low rate of interest. The idea, says the *Cablenews*, is that by applying one million of the three millions appropriated for the relief of the islands by the Congress of the United States to the funding of such a bank it would do more a good than were it spent in some other way. It is believed that this form of a bank is being asked for by the admirals of Aguilalde, as the scheme is in accord with the suggestion offered by him to the Civil Governor some time ago.

The programme for the April Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be found in another column.

The U.S. *Anapolis* which recently sustained damage by striking an uncharted rock is to be repaired at Cavite.

The ice at Taku, it is stated, has not this year been as thick as usual and navigation will be resumed at an early date.

A strike was threatening on the Clyde last month involving 30,000 workers who were unwilling to consent to a reduction in wages.

Governor Taft has announced that the three millions of dollars appropriated by Congress for the use of the Philippine Islands has been set aside for special purposes. Of the sum, \$1,000,000 will be devoted to the establishment of an agricultural bank; \$1,000,000 will go to the purchase of carabao, and the remaining \$1,000,000 is to be used in the founding of a university.

Dr. Morrison in an interesting contribution to the Times on "Manchuria and the Russian Railway" says:—"Roule notes circulate in Manchuria literally in millions. They are the most favoured currency. They are easily carried and easily concealed and are familiar from one end of Manchuria to the other. It is virtually a currency that has been given to the Chinese in Manchuria."

A Washington despatch to the Manila Times states that it was by a vote of 130 to 100 that the House of Representatives passed the Senate Philippine Coinage Bill. The House made one important amendment, providing that existing debts shall be payable in the currency that was legal tender at the time the debts were contracted. It was understood that the amendment was suggested by the Philippine Government. The House also struck out the Senate amendment for an international monetary conference. There was an extended debate and the House divided on both amendments, and also on the final passage of the Bill; many of the members objecting to the House receding from its plan to extend the complete currency system of the United States to the islands.

That the Trade Mark question in China is a difficult one to manage is to merchants fairly well known. The N.C. Daily News says:—We have recently heard of the marks of cigarettes and soap being imitated by Chinese, and we now learn that imitations of the well known "Ilford" photographic goods have found their way to the China market, from Germany. The imitation is a good one, and at first glance is not noticeable. The letter "M" is prefixed to the word "Ilford," so that the imitation goods are under the name of "Milford," and bear as a trade mark a sailing ship within a circle, instead of a steamer, which is the registered trade mark of the Ilford, Limited, on all goods of their manufacture. Among Chinese who cannot read English, the imitation would hardly be detected. We understand that the Ilford, Limited, have through the medium of the British Consulate-General in Shanghai, taken steps to prevent further sales of the "Milford" goods in China, and their trade mark and label being registered in Great Britain, as also on the Continent of Europe, they will, now that they have succeeded in tracing the source of supply, take proceedings against the manufacturers in Europe. A proclamation forbidding the sale by Chinese of imitations of Ilford photographic plates and papers has been issued by the Shanghai Taotai.

Evidence was concluded in the case in which Wong Kam, owner of the junk *Yee Fung*, claimed damages against the German steamer *Hans* in re-peet of a collision which occurred near the Hongkong entrance to the Capsicum Pass on 14th January.

Mr. H. B. Pollock, K.C. (instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Beavis of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, solicitors), appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. M. W. Slade, barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. H. J. Gedgo of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, solicitors), was for the defence.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff, ordering the usual enquiry to be made.

The Court rose.

HONGKONG DERBY WINNER KILLED.

Ivy, the winner of the Hongkong Derby two years ago, met with an inglorious fate the other day. The mare bolted from Causeway Bay whilst being ridden in a polo match, and galloped along Praya East. Near Fenwick's engineering works she collided violently with a ricksha, and, besides hopelessly damaging the vehicle, injured herself so greatly that she fell stunned. The occupant of the ricksha, a gentleman named Mr. H. A. Burke, was thrown out and sustained a slight hurt to his arm. But the chapter of accidents did not end here, for an old Chinese woman was knocked down by the gyrating vehicle and rendered unconscious for a time; she recovered soon afterwards, and was able to proceed home, preferring her own domicile to a bed in the hospital, where the police in vain tried to persuade her to go. *Ivy* was examined by Mr. A. Gibson, the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, who pronounced the mare to be in a very bad way, consequent on an injury to her head which had resulted in partial paralysis. A hammer was procured from Messrs. Fenwick's establishment, and with this the unfortunate animal was given her quietus.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. steamer *Atticen* arrived at Kobe at 7.30 p.m. on the 1st inst., and left again at 6 a.m. on the 2nd inst., via Nagasaki, for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 5 a.m. on the 6th inst.The C.P.R. steamer *Tartar* arrived at Nagasaki at 11.30 a.m. on the 2nd inst., and left again at 7 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. on the 7th inst.The E. & A. steamer *Eastern*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 2nd inst. for Timor, Manila and this port.The Boston Tug Boat Co.'s steamer *Hydes* arrived at Yokohama on the 2nd inst.The N.Y.K. steamer *Hakata Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 2nd inst., and is expected here to-morrow.The C.N. steamer *Chingchi*, from Australian ports, left Manila on the 2nd inst., p.m., and is expected here to-morrow, a.m.The E. & O. steamer *Jaco* left Singapore for this port on the 2nd inst., at 1 p.m.The C.N. steamer *Chingchi* left Moji for this port on the 2nd inst., p.m., and is expected here on the 7th inst.The Boston Steamship Co.'s steamer *Tremont* arrived at Yokohama on the 1st inst.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

RUSSIA'S MILITARY ACTIVITY.

LONDON, 2nd March, 6.5 p.m.

The Times Paris correspondent, discussing the persistent rumours of impending trouble in China, says the peace of Europe is as much imperilled by affairs in the Far East as by affairs in the Balkan Peninsula.

The New York Herald considers that

Russia's undoubted military activity is due to the aspect of affairs in the Far East

rather than to the trouble in the Balkans.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

GALES IN GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, 28th February.

One of the most destructive gales ever known

swept over Great Britain on the 27th ult.

It extended from the Channel Islands to the

Shetlands and the destruction of the land lines

has greatly delayed the telegraphic services to

the East.

Enormous damage and much loss

of life have occurred; churches and houses

chimney stacks have been wrecked, and many

people have been killed and hundreds injured.

The coasts are strewn with wrecks.

A tidal wave flooded a portion of the French Coast and

and was held—whether rightly or wrongly it is not germane to the point in question. It is a fact too that hordes of Chinese entered on military service of their own free will to drive out the invader as well as all those who were identified however remotely with the common enemy; whether the means adopted in the course pursued to attain that end were in harmony or at variance with established rules of civilised warfare is likewise not material to the issue. The distinctive mark of a volunteer is the attribute of free-will in respect of service. The Boxers had this element of free-will to a notable extent and were accordingly termed *not* inapt volunteers. There was no chance of gulling the public; the little children in the streets understood that the Boxers wrought poll-mill havoc like utter savages. Sir Robert Hart simply laid stress on the feature of spontaneity that struck his eye as a dominant characteristic of the movement. Why be driven by a restless and crooked spirit to rake in the dirt of every kind of expedient? It is not quite clear how Sir Robert Hart could plunge right through the mire by throwing himself heart and soul into the cause for the abolition of extra-territoriality. In keeping with "Anti-Humbug's" train of assumptions would he not be more likely to find himself helplessly ensnared in the mire up to his eyes? Or does he mean to imply that the man whom he would clothe in the raiment of an arch-criminal was bereft of reason? Nearly a quarter of a century ago the writer had occasion to refer to Wharton's *Conflict of Laws* in which he came across and glanced at a long extract from a paper contributed years previously by Sir Robert Hart in his role of strenuous advocate for the abolition of extra-territoriality. Seeing the man had entered the quagmire and argued for extra-territoriality the best part of half a century ago, does "Anti-Humbug" mean to imply that if there is any sequence in phenomena and any law of causation, the order in his imagination is not that of cause and effect? Is he proceeding on a tacit assumption that the same order must obtain among objects which obtain among his ideas of them, that if one thing makes us think of another as preceding or following it that other must precede in actual fact?

"A friend exaggerates a man's virtues; an enemy, his crimes." To eliminate the possibility of any misconception on this score let it be averred that as we do not charge him with any crimes so we do not propose to array him in immaculate robes woven on the golden loom of all the virtues. It may be there is no reason to consider him any better or any worse than the average man of intelligence of his day—sometimes right, sometimes wrong. Perhaps it would be better to give critics of the type of "Anti-Humbug" the short answer once given by the Doy of Algiers, "My friend, do not you know that my subjects are a band of robbers, and that I am their captain."—Yours, etc., HUMBUG.

THE TELEPHONE SERVICE TO KOWLOON.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 3rd March.

SIR,—Referring to the description given in your issue of the 28th ultimo of the laying of our new cable between North Point and Hung-hom; I would like to point out that the same was laid, for the use of my Company (the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd.), by the Telegraph Companies, and not by ourselves as stated.—Yours, etc.,

W. S. HARRISON,
Manager.

THE HONGKONG A.D.C. AT CANTON.

Saturday, the 23rd February, was a red-letter day in the annals of the Club Theatre at Shamen; for years and years the Canton A.D.C. have been trying to get the Hongkong A.D.C. to repeat here some Hongkong success, but until now insuperable difficulties have always prevented it. Even this time one of the original casts was unable to come, and but for the cleverness and kindness of the young and charming lady who made her stage *début* on this occasion as Ethel Carlton, Shamen would not have had the treat of seeing His Excellency the Governor admirably played by the Hongkong A.D.C. The audience on Saturday night testified their thorough appreciation of the play and the admirable manner in which it was done by the heartiest applause and laughter throughout, and at the finish by a tornado of clapping. When the curtain had been lowered for the last time, after being repeatedly raised to quell the storm, the audience burst into three hearty cheers and a "tiger."

The Hongkong A.D.C. rose to a very high pitch of excellence in this performance. Every part was not only adequately filled but well filled, and not one of the parts large or small was weakly taken. The sentry walked his lonely rounds (varied with "I want you, my honey") to the life. The butler belted to the manner born. Major Kildare, who brought up the reinforcements, and Captain Rivers, who gave order to fire on them, might have been bred to the profession of arms, so well did they fill their respective parts and look them too.

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POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 3rd March.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THEFT BY A SHIPMASTER.

Harry Ansell Brown, describing himself as a master mariner out of employment, and residing at the Sailors' Home, was charged with stealing a silver watch and chain and a silver matchbox, of the total value of \$15, from Durbar Bungalow, Kowloon, the quarters of officers of the 33rd Burmese Infantry. The theft, to which the defendant pleaded not guilty, was set down as having been committed on the 2nd inst.

Lieut. Ricketts, the complainant, went into the witness-box and identified his property, which he said he had left lying on the mantelpiece in his room.

Lieut. Morgan, who resides with the complainant, stated that on the 2nd inst., between 12 noon and 2 p.m., the defendant came into his room "somewhat obtrusively," and on being asked his business replied that he was "stony broke." His breath smelt of liquor.

Defendant.—Are you quite sure I am the man?

Witness.—Yes, quite sure.

Defendant.—How was I dressed?

Witness.—In a blue serge suit and straw hat.

Defendant retorted that he never wore a straw hat, for the simple reason that he had none.

A Chinese pawnbroker having identified the accused as the European who pledged with him for \$8 the watch produced in Court, the defendant was asked if he had anything to say. He replied that he was not in Kowloon on the day the theft was alleged to have been committed.

Since arriving in the Colony he had been in Kowloon but once, and that was on the 31st ult.

His Worship found the charge proved, and passed sentence of two months' hard labour.

Brown, who is a tall man of smart bearing, appeared in Court without a hat. He was recently accused of stealing an ulster from the Hongkong Club, but got the benefit of the doubt and was discharged.

FIGHT BETWEEN COOLIES.

Whilst a gang of Sanitary Board coolies were watering the roadway in Praya East on Monday afternoon, they got into a dispute with a ricksha coolie who objected to having his person included in the operation. Words gave place to blows, and the situation was intensified by the action of a number of ricksha coolies living in a lodging-house opposite the scene of the skirmish. These, of course, sided with their comrade in the street, and whilst a few ran down to assist him against the Sanitary Board coolies who were plying bamboo poles to great advantage, the others leant over the balcony and endeavoured to even up matters by a judicious bombardment with soot-jars, flower-pots, dishes, etc. The police arrived, and after one of their number, P.C. Last, had been blackened with the contents of a soot-jar and just missed being struck with the receptacle itself, order was restored and ten of the delinquents marched to the lock-up.

They were charged with disorderly behaviour, and got off with a small penalty.

FOOTBALL.

SHIELD TIE—H.M.S. "ARGONAUT" v. "B." CO. SHERWOOD FORESTERS.

This match was played at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon before a big turn-out of spectators, mostly Servicemen. The Foresters opened the game and the *Argonauts* the scoring, getting their first goal rather easily five minutes from the start. The sailors second goal was a very soft one, the ball, a slow one, dropping into the corner of the net from a scrummage in the Foresters' territory just when nobody expected it. The soldiers, despite the score against them, were playing a good game, and when one came to analyse play, it was difficult to understand how they were so far behind. Luck would be the easiest way of explaining the mystery, but even that fails as a satisfactory solution, for there was more of ready resource than luck in the way the outside right took up a straying shot at the Foresters' goal and notched the third point for the sailors. The fourth goal—it had now apparently become a mere matter of recording goals—was beautifully kicked by the inside man on the right from a pass across the wing. The Foresters still continued to peg manfully away, but with it all they profited nothing, and were even unable to prevent their goal from being again jeopardised, oftener than once at that, too. Each time their custodian proved himself equal to the emergency, but there came a moment when no amount of skill on his part could avert disaster. This was when the whole line of sailor forwards took the leather up to convenient shooting distance and gained their fifth goal, which was the stage the game had reached when the interval arrived.

The Foresters invaded when the match was restarted, but could not get the better of the *Argonauts'* defences, and back the leather went. Some give-and-take play in the open ensued, and then the sailors broke away on another run for goal. The backs were outwitted, and the custodian, adopting the only alternative left him, ran out to save. He missed, and for the sixth time the ball, cleverly screwed in by the inside right, found the net. The soldiers were now playing against a hopeless majority, which was further increased by a seventh goal scored close in from a free kick in favour of the *Argonauts* and a few moments later by an eighth sent between the sticks from a scrummage; this was just missed by the ball grazing the cross-bar. The Foresters, who showed up well, as had been indicated in the first half, were nowhere in the second, and the game, for which Mr. Graham, acted as referee, ended in a decisive victory for the *Argonauts* by 8 goals to 0.

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THE CRISIS IN SOUTH CHINA.

In its "Notes on Native Affairs" the N.C. Daily News says:—

A Peking despatch states that Governor Wang Chih-ch'un of Kwangsi has been recently denounced to the Throne for the second time in three months. This second denunciation is signed by some thirty censors and officials of the Six Boards who call Kwangsi their native province and stoutly charge Governor Wang with incapability, arrogance and an inordinate love of boastful language. Another serious charge is that the discipline of the troops raised by himself is so loose that their ravages on the inhabitants have been worse and more ruthless than the most depraved bandits of the country.

In consequence of this the ranks of malcontents are being daily increased and the enmity against the Imperial forces embittered beyond words. Unable to make good his boast to the Empress Dowager last year, namely, that he (Governor Wang) could suppress the Kwangsi rebellion and restore peace throughout the province within six months—in consequence of which, from being shelved on account of mediocrity, he obtained the Governorship of Kwangsi—that official, declare the memorialists, has asked the Throne to call upon the Viceroys and Governors

of provinces in the neighbourhood of Kwangsi to join forces and go to the rescue of that province and so place additional burdens on the inhabitants of the provinces concerned and increase the liabilities of the Imperial exchequer to a limitless extent.

Whereas all that is needed is the proper impeachment and removal of such an incapable official and the placing in his stead of some person possessed of the confidence of the people of the Southern provinces and the observance of strict discipline amongst the Imperial forces. Given these the people of Kwangsi can be pacified and order restored in a short time, an order of things which can be considerably accelerated by the speedy inauguration of relief work amongst the starving and suffering inhabitants of the province. This second denunciation would have been the undoing of Governor Wang Chih-ch'un and he even more popular officials of high rank, had he not the countenance and help of the all-powerful Yang Lu, whom Governor Wang took care to load with presents and actinia "Patron" previous to leaving Peking for Kwangsi. The fate of the memorial in question was therefore judiciously discounted by the "official reports" given out by the Constabulary. There were several skirmishes in forty-eight hours and in these the Constabulary appear to have the best of it.

A despatch to our Manila contemporary from Malabon dated 23rd ult. says:—

Within the past twenty-four hours this pueblo and its activities have been such as to recall the days of '99. There have been soundings to arms and the hurried assembly and departure of the force to the faint echo of firing, indicating that not far from this place our forces have encountered the enemy, the ladrones or so-called insurgents.

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NOTICE.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

H. FAZULLY & CO., Nos. 6 & 8, Peel St. THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of MOHAMMEDALLY FAZULLY in the above Firm ceased on the 28th ult. The Firm will, from the 1st instant, be carried on by ABDULLAH A. BEBIN and HOSENALLY under the style of "M. JAMALUDIN & CO." which Firm will collect the assets and be responsible for the debts of the old Firm. Dated the 2nd March, 1903.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have established a Branch Office in No. 4, Queen's Road Central in this Colony, and that Mr. K. UYEMURA has been appointed as Local Manager who will sign for Procuration on behalf of the Firm.

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Great Britain:—Nanking, 1842; Tientsin, 1858; Tariff Agreement and Rules, 1858; Convention, 1860; Envoys for Joint Investigation of Customs Seizures, 1863; Chinkoo, 1866; with Additional Article; Opium Convention, 1868; Chungking Convention, 1891; Thibet Sikkim Convention, 1890; Burmese Convention, 1897; Kowloon Extension, 1898; Weihaiwei Convention, 1898; Commercial Shanghai, 1902.

France:—Tientsin, 1858; Convention, 1860; Tientsin, 1858; Conventions, 1866, 1867, and 1895; Frontier Trade Regulations.

United States:—Tientsin, 1858; Additional, 1868; Peking, 1880; Immigration, 1894.

Germany:—Tientsin, 1861; Peking, 1860; Kinchow Convention, 1868; Railways and Mining Concessions, 1895.

Japan:—Shimonoseki, 1895; Liuchow Convention, 1895; Commercial, 1898; New Ports, 1896.

Russia:—St. Petersburg, 1881; Russian Land Trade, 1881; Port Arthur and Taliawan Agreement, 1888.

Portugal: 1888.

Final Protocol made between China and

Eleven Powers, 1901.

TREATIES WITH JAPAN

Great Britain, 1894; Duties Convention, 1895; Russia, Agreements as to Corea; United States Extraterritorial Treaty, 1895.

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Japan, 1876; Japan Supplementary, 1876; United States, 1882; Great Britain, 1895; Trade Regulations.

TREATIES WITH SIAM

Great Britain, 1856; France, 1893; Japan, 1893; Russia, 1899.

TREATIES WITH STAM

Great Britain and France, Siam-Siamese Frontier.

Great Britain and Russia, Railway Convention, 1899.

Great Britain and Siam, 1899.

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China, Japan, Siam, Corea.

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BY S. BARING-GOULD,

Author of "Mechat," "John Herring," etc.

CHAPTER XX.

A HALF RECOGNITION.

This weaves itself perfumed into my business.

King Lear, Act II. sc. 1.

Cecil Bouthflower was walking along the South Downs. In one hand he carried a mallet and in the other a basket.

The fellow had a quick intelligence, and this the Admiral sought to sharpen. He had interested him by giving him Mantell's *Wonders of Geology*, and the young man saw a new world of life open before him, and a pursuit offered as interesting as it was novel. A cloud was lifted from the horizon, and hill and wood unfurled a tale. He took keenly to a search after fossils in the chalk quarries on the South Downs, and for darks' teeth in the sand pits of the Weald. He was one day walking to a distant pit, when he heard screams for help, and presently saw a Shetland pony galloping along the lane with a boy on its back, clinging to the mane.

Cecil threw himself across the road, and flourishing basket and hammer alarmed the pony. It slackened pace and stopped. Whereupon the boy fell off, and he howled as he lay in the mud.

"Get up, young yelp," said Cecil; "you ain't art, not you. You tumbled into a soft spot, that's all, you up and don't be fool.

Mount your pony of a pony again."

"It's the fault of George," howled the boy, rising to his feet. "He was told to look after me, and he would go into the public house, to see his sister, he said; and a boy cracked a cart whip and my little Shetie went off and I couldn't stop him."

"They shouldn't have sent a boy like you out on an 'os," but in pram with a nuss, showing you along. That's my opinion."

"I'm not a boy. I'm ten years old."

"I shouldn't have thought it. You'll never be a man if you live forty years, you won't."

"Yes, I shall."

"Not if you 'owls; every 'owl takes a quarter of a inch of your stature as you'd be like to 'ave."

The boy stopped crying.

"Now," said Cecil, "Cock up your leg, and I'll chuck you onto your perch."

"But I'm afraid Shetie will run away with me again."

"I'll walk beside you till we find George as gone to see is poor dear sister. Who the blue blazes may you be?"

"I am a baronet. I am Sir John Fenton."

"You're a little 'm'men, and a poor specimen. Where's your lodgings?"

"At Fenton Court, with my ma. She is a real lady. The servants call her My Lady."

"She must be a buster. How far is it to Fenton Court?"

"Not far away."

"Look 'ere, shaver. I've never seen the inside of a big 'ig's' 'ouse, so I'd like to be took over yours. I'll go with you to your ma, and you shall show me over the shop."

"And does the pa live there too?"

"No, he is dead. We did not live at the Court while he was alive. Ma and me came when there he died."

"That's run alongs on," observed Mr. Bouthflower. "Is that the way with the big 'ig's?"

We used to live at Wynnstead," the boy confided to his new acquaintance; "and they had only one maid, Sarah; but now we've got lots, a cook and a dozen maids, and a footman and a butler. I like him, he's called Mr. Treneen; but Mr. Starkie don't."

"And who is old Starkie?"

"He comes from Wynnstead; he is often over to see ma'am."

"I understand. Looking out to be Number Two, when the lady has put off her cap."

"He does the accounts for her, and pays the wages."

"And slips the odd coppers into 'is pockets. I understand."

"And ma has got a carriage and pair, and a coachman, since a died."

"Oh, thankful you must be he's gone to manure the potatoes. Well, pas are a noose at times, 'loomin' noose. Young nippie, whatever you do, don't get a spade and dig up. Mother mightn't like it, nor old Starkie neither."

"You shouldn't speak to me like that," said the child; "you should say—Sir John."

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Mar. 2 DOTO MARU, Japanese str., 1,343, K. Otsu, Moji 26th Feb., Con. CHINESE MAR. 2 HALIAN, French str., 300, L. Andersen. HOLLOW 1st Mar., General, A. R. MARTY. MAR. 2 ZAPFO, British str., 1,611, R. Redger. Manila 29th February, Hump.—SHAWAN, TOME & CO. MAR. 3 AILS CHIANG, British str., 2,166, A. D. Moody, Kutchinom, British str., 25th February, Coal.—M. B. KAISHA.

Mar. 3 BANCA, British str., 3,733, E. P. Martin, R.N.R., Yokohama 17th Feb., General.—P. & O. S. N. CO.

Mar. 3, C. PERD. LAETZ, German str., 3,799, Fuchs, Shanghai 27th Feb., General—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Mar. 3, FREIRING, German str., 3,884, J. Prok. ch., Hamburg and Singapore 23rd February, General—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Mar. 3, HALLOON, British str., 783, Gibson, Amoy 2nd March, General—DOUGLAS LAMPTON & CO.

Mar. 3, KAIFONG, British str., 1,024, G. H. Pennington, Cob 24th Feb., and 16th 27th, Suga and Hemp—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Mar. 3, KOWLOON, German str., 1,437, H. Stohr, Chinkung and Wuh 26th Feb., General and F. SIEMSEN & CO.

Mar. 3, MARIE JEBEN, German str., 1,771, H. Bendixen, Chinkung 26th February, Rice—JENSEN & CO.

March 3, PREUSSEN, German str., 3,278, E. Prehn, Yokohama 21st February, Mail and General—MELCHERS & CO.

Mar. 3, PYRHUS, British str., 3,281, J. Rorison, Shanghai 28th Feb., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Mar. 3, SISIAN, British str., 815, A. Jones, Saigon 27th Feb., Rice and Metal—BRADLEY & CO.

Mar. 3, SINGA, British str., from Canton.

Mar. 3, TALBOT, British cruiser, from a cruise.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

3rd March.

Chia a Jaben, German str., for Saigon.

Hue, French str., for Kwoongchauan.

Kowloon, German str., for Canton.

Kubang, British str., for Singapore.

Lohang, British str., for Swatow.

Maidzura Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.

Rosetta Maru, Japanese str., for Manila.

Tukang, British str., for Canton.

Thales, British str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

3rd March.

A PENRADE, German str., for Hoihow.

HALDIS, German str., for Amoy.

JACOB DIERICHSEN, Ger. str., for Hoihow.

KUTSANG, British str., for Singapore.

KWONGSUNG, British str., for Canton.

LOKANG, British str., for Swatow.

ROSETTA MARU, Japanese str., for Manila.

THALES, British str., for Canton.

YUSHUN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

3rd March.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—Lima, Diamond.

KOWLOON DOCKS.—Kashan, Compania de Filipinas, Sherman, Holstein, Isla de Cuba, H.M.S. Hart, Karin, Callao, Lungshou, Carl Diederichsen.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Daphne, Chungsang.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Zefiro, from Manila 29th Feb., had light N.N.W. wind, smooth sea, fine and clear weather.

The British steamer Hailoong, from Amoy 2nd March, had fresh breeze with moderate sea, drizzling rain and haze. Vessels in Amoy—Wukiu, Hailoong, Prometheus and Dafu Maru.

The British steamer Kaitong, from Cebu 21st Feb. and 10th 27th, had moderate to fresh N.E. winds with fine, clear weather and smooth sea to Patao Shou; fine to port strong to fresh E.N.E. winds and overcast with rain; moderate sea. Feb. 27th spoke Norwegian str. Dagmar, lat. 103.33 N., long. 121.46 E., bound North; wished to be reported all well.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND VLADIVOSTOCK.

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Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [559]

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R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 13th May.

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 27th May.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 3rd June.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 24th June.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 15th July.

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1903. [3404]

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Captain J. G. Oliphant, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 5th inst.

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [671]

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Captain Pernitz, will leave for the above ports on or about the 2nd March.

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [456]

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1903. [580]

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1903. [13]

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANEA"	On 21st March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 25th March.	

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	LONDON BERTH.	STEAMERS	ON	TO SAIL
LONDON VIA GENOA	"DIOMED"	On 7th March.		
LONDON VIA GENOA	"MACHAON"	On 17th March.		
LONDON	"KINTUCK"	On 31st March.		
LONDON	"PINGSUEY"	On 14th April.		
LONDON	"JASON"	On 28th April.		

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1903.

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SHANGHAI	"ICHANG"	On 5th March.	
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CEBU and ILOIO	"KAI FONG"	On 7th March.	
MANILA	"SUNGKIAN"	On 11th March.	
MANILA	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th March.	
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Hongkong, 28th February, 1903.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.
FOR
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY

STEAMERS
"DAIGI MARU" SUNDAY, 8th
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All Steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mails, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co.'s steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading are issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply to Company's local Branch Office at No. 2, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1903.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA
MANILA LINE.REGULAR SERVICE
BETWEEN HONGKONG AND
MANILA IN 48 HOURS.

Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled. Unrivalled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

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Steamship	Captain	Tons	Sailing Date.
ROYILLA MARU	E. P. Bishop	3869	Saturday, 7th March, at Noon.
ROSETTA MARU	N. Tute	3576	Friday, 13th March, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

INSTITUTE

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON.

FOUNDED 1710.

The Underwriters having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are pro-

pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at

Current Rates.

SIEMSSON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1902. [26]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above

Company are PREPARED to ACCEPT First

Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current

Rates.

SIEMSSON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May 1895. [27]

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are pre-

pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at

Current Rates.

SIEMSSON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [25]

SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

The Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are pre-

pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at

Current Rates.

SIEMSSON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. [29]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN-
TILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are pre-

pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at

Current Rates.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1901.

215,722,693.

The Undersigned, having been appointed

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pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at

Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOME & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1902. [179]

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE IN-
SURANCE CO. OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.

The Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are pre-

pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at

Current Rates.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1903. [1]

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGA-
TION COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Undersigned, having been appointed

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Prinz Heinrich*, with the German Mail of the 3rd ult., left Singapore on Saturday, the 28th ult., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.
The *Hongkong Maru*, with the American Mail of the 6th ult., left Yokohama on Thursday, the 26th ult., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 6th inst.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PEE	DATE
Canton	Wednesday, 4th, 7.30 A.M.	
Singapore	Wednesday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.	
Quing Chow, Hoihow, Pakien and Haiphong	Wednesday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.	
Hoihow, Singapore and Bangkok	Wednesday, 4th, 10.00 A.M.	
Chinkiang	Wednesday, 4th,	
Europe, &c., India via Taticorin	Prin ed Matter and samples, 10.00 A.M.	
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Registration, 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)	
Preussen	Letters, 11.00 A.M.	
Hangchow	Wednesday, 4th, 1.15 P.M.	
Kinshiu Maru	Wednesday, 4th, 3.00 P.M.	
Kueiwing	Wednesday, 4th, 4.00 P.M.	
Haiou	Wednesday, 4th, 4.00 P.M.	
Singau	Wednesday, 4th, 4.00 P.M.	
Szechuan	Wednesday, 4th, 4.00 P.M.	
Elise	Wednesday, 4th, 5.00 P.M.	
Futshau	Wednesday, 4th, 5.00 P.M.	
Taipeh	Wednesday, 4th, 5.00 P.M.	
Savoria	Wednesday, 4th, 5.00 P.M.	
Banca	Thursday, 5th, 11.00 A.M.	
Borneo	Thursday, 5th, 8.00 A.M.	
Haiouong	Thursday, 5th, 9.00 A.M.	
Gregory Apear	Thursday, 5th, 2.00 P.M.	
Ichang	Thursday, 5th, 4.00 P.M.	

TO-DAY.

Sale, Milk, &c., Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, noon.
Sale, Household Furniture, No. 50, Morrison Hill Road, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.
Sale, Household Furniture, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Romodio, 2.30 p.m.
The Brough Comedy Co., Theatre Royal, 3 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Ordinary Meeting of China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

3rd March.

ON LONDON	Telegraphic Transfer	1.6
Bank Bills, on demand	1.6	
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	1.6	
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1.6	
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1.6	

ON PARIS	Bank Bills, on demand	197
Credits, at 4 months' sight	201	

ON LONDON	Bank Bills, on demand	161
Credits, at 4 months' sight	161	

ON GERMANY	Bank Bills, on demand	383
Credits, 60 days' sight	394	

ON HONKONG	Telegraphic Transfer	116
Bank, on demand	117	

ON CALCUTTA	Telegraphic Transfer	1164
Bank, on demand	117	

ON SHANGHAI	Bank, at sight	73
Private, 30 days' sight	73	

ON YOKOHAMA	On demand	774
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ON MANILA	On demand	Par.
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ON SINGAPORE	On demand	Nominal
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ON BATAVIA	On demand	94
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ON HAIPHONG	On demand	2 p.c. p.m.
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ON SAIGON	On demand	1 p.c. p.m.
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ON BANGKOK	On demand	67
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